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THE U. F. A. GAME

The Baseball team makes its initial bow this afternoon in the game with U. F. A. on Steuben Field. Tho understood as only a practice game, the contest is expected to be one by no means devoid of interest, as the Academy is said to have an exceptionally strong nine this year. Coach Murphy and Capt. Clark have been working hard to whip the team into shape and the enthusiasm and hearty cooperation with which they have been greeted predicts an exhibition well worth while.

The object in playing the preliminary games, of which this is the first, is not only to gain efficient team work and to inspire confidence, especially in the new men, but largely to aid the coach and captain in determining the permanent make-up of the Varsity. In order to get a clearer idea of the merits of the candidates at their respective positions, it is intended to give as many men as possible a trial in this game.

Tho it will undergo many changes in the course of the game, the following is the line-up with which the game will probably start:

Pitcher, Daly, '11; Catcher, White, '08; Short-stop, J. D. Judson, '10; 1st Base, Cody, '08; 2nd Base, Clark, '08; 3rd Base, Allen, '11; Right Field, Hatfield, '09; Left Field, G. B. Smith, '08; Center Field, Lewis, '08.

The game is called at 3 o'clock. Every man should be out and give the team an auspicious start.

UTICA STATE LEAGUE

May first, the Varsity will line up against the Utica State League team in an exhibition game on the Campus. The latter has been playing exhibition games for over a week and will, undoubtedly, be in fine trim. The Varity, however, has been working hard under Coach Murphy and promises well. Everyone should be out and give the team the right kind of support.

The probable line-up of both teams follows. This list is by no means a sure one as nearly all the men on the squad will probably be allowed to show their mettle.

HAMILTON	UTICA S. L.
l. f., Smith	l. f., Carroll
2b., Clark, *Capt.*	r. f., Madden
r. f., Cody, Lewis	c. f., Doyle
c., White, Mitchell	3b., Burrell
3b., Allen	ss., Rutherford
ss., Judson	2b., Kennedy
1b., Cody, Sarles	1b., Miller
c. f., Hatfield, Doherty	c., Steelman
p., Daly, Manion	p., Hefferman, Coughlin

TENNIS

The Tennis predictions are that the Varsity will be a success this year. Of last year's men, Capt. Watson, Simmons, '08, Conklin and Getman, '09, are still left. Of the material in the Freshman class, Day, Getman, Flagler and Nixon are the most promising, all of whom are playing a strong and steady game. Day, especially, shows much the same knowledge and skill in the game as did his brothers.

The tournament this year will be conducted on a new plan. Sixteen men have been invited by the captain to participate. If anyone in College should think he deserved a place, such a man is entitled to challenge any selected participant for his place in the tournament. This invitation arrangement will do away with much useless tennis.

The schedule is a good one. It is rather longer than usual, but very strong. It follows:

Apr. 29	Cornell	at Ithaca
May 13	Union	at Clinton
May 19	Union	at Schenectady
May 23	Syracuse	at Clinton
May 28	Cornell	at Clinton

Colgate's department of Tennis is as yet in an "unsettled condition," but two matches may be arranged. It is hoped that matches may be arranged with Williams and Trinity, but definite arrangements have not been completed.

The men who have answered the call of the assistant manager of this department are: Hemenway, Abbott, Dounce, McNair, and Stone, '10. The courts need considerable repairing. The back nets are in extremely poor shape. These matters should be attended to immediately.

The drawings for the invitation tournament follow: Wilder vs. Watson; L. Leavenworth vs. Nixon; Conklin vs. Sherwin; A. Osborn vs. H. Getman; Dounce vs. A. Getman; McAneny vs. Simmons; Flagler vs. Welch; Day vs. Allen.

THEY PLAY AGAIN

On Monday, April 27th, the Charlatans will give a performance of their successful comedy, "His House in Disorder," for the benefit of Faxton Hospital. The play will be given in the Auditorium, Utica. The Board of Patronesses will give a dance and supper afterwards, to which all College men in the audience are invited. Between the acts a quartet consisting of Messrs. Sicard, Hastings, Allen and Sidle will sing. Hastings is also down for some good solos. The play has been widely advertised and those wishing good seats should procure them

now. As anyone who has seen this play knows, it far surpasses any other college effort of its kind; if there are any who have not, they should not miss this opportunity to enjoy it. It is no slap-stick farce, but a finished production, complete and perfect in its details. We do not hesitate to say that the "fair ones" in this production absolutely outdo any of their rivals on any other college stage. Rudd, Smyth and Woollcott play their roles to the life and defy comparison.

The play itself has excellencies enough to insure the attendance of every man in College, but it should appeal even more on account of the cause for which it is given. Faxton Hospital has treated the College men who have been so unfortunate as to be injured, and so fortunate as to come under its care, with unusual courtesy and consideration. We should not forget this fact or neglect this opportunity of showing our appreciation. The men of the College should recognize this and make both the play and the dance a success as far as they are able. The dance promises to be informal and enjoyable. Why not bring some one to contribute to the enjoyment and to see college dramatics at their best? If enough men can be found to support it, there will be a special car, so that dancing may be continued after midnight. Those going should speak to Willoughby, '09, at once.

BOWLING

Despite the other attractions of Spring Term bowling interest seems to be holding up as well as before. The scores are averaging higher and higher every week, the day record seldom being under 200.

Sigma Phi won the up-hill championship on the 20th by defeating E. L. S. three straight games. The match was marred by frequent fouling, especially by the Emersonians. Hastings was high with 474. The scores:

E. L. S.

	1st	2d	3d	T'al	Av.
Clark	109	108	100	317	106
Greengard	98	148	140	386	129
Marriot	105	132	130	367	122
Sheffield	117	135	126	378	126
Smith, G.	94	160	180	434	144
Totals	523	683	676	1882	125

Team average, 627.

Sigma Phi

	1st	2d	3d	T'al	Av.
Wilson	142	153	156	451	150
A. Osborn	132	147	129	408	136
Hastings	177	144	153	474	158
Baldwin	120	122	148	390	130
Sidle	139	131	122	392	131
Totals	710	697	708	2115	141

Team average, 705.

On Wednesday Sigma Phi, "Up-Hill Champions," will bowl Theta Delta Chi, "Down-Hill Champions," for the championship of the Inter-Fraternity League for 1908.

The standing of the clubs to date is:

Up Hill

	Play'd.	W.	L.	P.C.
Sigma Phi	9	8	1	.889
Alpha Delta Phi	6	4	2	.667
Chi Psi	6	2	4	.333
E. L. S.	9	1	8	.122

Down Hill.

	Play'd.	W.	L.	P.C.
Theta Delta Chi	6	5	1	.833
Delta Upsilon	6	4	2	.666
Delta Kappa E.	6	3	3	.500
Psi Upsilon	6	0	6	.000

An interesting special match was bowled the 16th between the Theta Delts and the Alpha Delts. The high team score, 750, held to this date by the Sigma Phi team, was broken four times out of six. The score in detail:

Alpha Delta Phi

	1st	2d	3d	T'al	Av.
Simmons	208	169	171	548	183
Coston	110	144	111	365	122
Titus	132	178	152	462	154
Gouge	137	128	146	411	138
Blodget	130	132	160	422	141
Totals	717	751	750	2208	149

Team average, 736.

Theta Delta Chi

	1st	2d	3d	T'al	Av.
Getman,'11	183	201	173	557	186
Nixon	135	192	193	520	173
Hull	156	161	140	457	152
Watson	144	144	153	441	147
McMartin	140	144	157	441	147
Totals	758	842	816	2416	161

Team average, 802.

The fourth round of the individual tournament is finished. Richardson, '11 (522), beat Titus, '10 (408); Getman, '11 (489), beat Barber, '10 (307); Wilson, '09 (489), beat Simmons, '08 (468); and Watson, '08 (433), beat S. M. Jones, '08 (364).

The day and week records for the term have been:

Day—Simmons, '08: 184, 208, 211, 225; Hull, '08, 198, 192; Blodgett, '09, 200; Watson, '08, 186, 184; Allen, '08, 183; Nixon, '11, 210, 234; Sherwin, '08, 216.

Week—Blodgett, '09, 200; Sherwin, '10, 216; Nixon, '11, 234.

THE 1909 HAMILTONIAN

The Hamiltonian for this year is now occupying the closest attention of those in charge. The majority of the Board of Editors were unusually busy last term either with the Dramatic or the Musical Clubs. To this fact must be attributed the slight delay which will attend the appearance of this year's publication.

Browning is now at work on the copy and expects to add the finishing touches about June 1. Most of the drawings have been the work of men in College, and promise to make this feature of the book especially good and interesting. The literary material will be of a new type, there being few or none of the plain spiceless stories. It is the aim to make this edition a distinctively Hamilton publication, and it is hoped the honor of Hamilton will be well upheld by it.

—John O. Collins, '04, who, since his graduation, has been a clerk in one of the departments at Washington, sails Tuesday for Panama, where he will have a responsible position under Commissioner J. B. Bishop, with headquarters at Aucon.

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THERE WILL BE a meeting of the student body in the Chapel at I P. M. today. At this the following proposed amendment to the By-Laws of the Athletic Association will be voted upon. Section three, Article one, now reads: "Those only may vote for captain of track team who have competed in one meet off the Campus, or two meets with other colleges on the campus." It is proposed to make this clause read: "Those only may vote for captain of track team who have competed in one meet off the campus or in two meets with other colleges on the Campus or WHO HAVE WON A PLACE IN A MEET BETWEEN THIS AND SOME OTHER COLLEGE OR COLLEGES." Since there are seldom, if ever, two meets on the Campus, and since the number of men that can be taken abroad is very limited, this amendment would provide a more just possibility of reward for the Track candidate. Especially is this so this year. The meet off the Campus will precede that at home. The men who succeed in making that trip—about fourteen—will be the only men eligible to vote for captain. Would it not seem advisable, then, to pass this amendment as an incentive to track men, since it will give to those who are not chosen to represent Hamilton at Troy a possibility of reward in the Union meet?

HENRY WHITE, Upson Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory since 1905, has announced that he will resign from his duties here at the end of this term in order that he may devote his entire time and energy to the ministry. The news is a source of grief to Hamilton. Matriculated here in 1894, he has ever since worked diligently and effectively for his Alma Mater. Not brilliant, but consistently earnest, faultlessly conscientious and always competent, he has deserved and has won a high place in Hamilton's esteem. Nor has his activity been limited to this usefulness. His duties have been doubled by the pastorship of the Stone Church in Clinton. Prof. White is as yet undecided as to where he will take up his work, but if it be not among the Clintonians, they will have as great grounds for regret as we. Tho to do so is highly superfluous, we wish him the brightest of success in his new field of usefulness.

THERE IS A JUST COMPLAINT that so few men are out for Track. The present squad is a constant source of regret and disappointment to the coach, the captain, and the management. It is unjust to the department. The College never had brighter prospects for a winning team; it never had so good a coach. But of what value are these if only a paltry dozen take advantage thereof? Few reasons exist why both meets this year cannot be won; but victory or even a creditable showing is well-nigh impossible with the present number of candidates. An earnest appeal is made that more men try for this team.

Y. M. C. A. ELECTION

At the last regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A., held last term, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Spencer, '09; Vice-President, Conklin, '09; Treasurer, Knox, '10; Secretary, Colson, '11.

Cabinet: Bible Study, Wilcox, '09; Missionary, Conklin, '09; Religious Meeting, Leavenworth, '09; Memberships, Hopkins, '09; Music, H. C. Evans, '09; Vicinity, Rifenbark, '09; Finance, Knox, '10; Systematic Giving, Leavenworth, '10.

The cabinet of the association met at 3:00 last Sunday afternoon, when plans for the ensuing year were discussed. Spencer, '09, attended the meeting of the Presidents' Conference of Students Y. M. C. A., held at New Haven, April 9-12.

A GIFT

At the opening of the College year, friends of classic art were gratified to see in the Latin Room of the Hall of Languages the beautiful and imposing reproduction of the Arch of Titus. The good omen of last September has been followed by the gift, recently received, of three marble copies of works of Greek sculpture. These have just been placed in the Greek Room.

On the wall bracket, nearly opposite the door, is the Psyche of Capua, so-called. The original has been, since its discovery in the middle of the eighteenth century, one of the admired pieces of ancient sculpture. It now stands in the "Corridor of the Masterpieces," in the Naples Museum. To the left is the bust of the Hermes of Praxiteles. The original, which is in the museum of Olympia, is recognized by artists and antiquarians alike as the most distinguished ancient statue in the possession of the modern world, in part, because of its artistic value, and, in part, because it is the only unquestioned original from the hand of a sculptor of the first rank. The Victory of Samothrace is placed on a pedestal in the corner of the room diagonally opposite the door. This Victory, now one of the treasures of the Louvre,

can be assigned to the beginning of the third century, B. C. The artist's name is unknown, but his work is recognized as a supreme effort. It is the climax of a series of attempts, made by a series of artists during more than two centuries, to represent worthily a winged figure in rapid motion. The three copies are executed in the beautiful Cararra marble, a material that has been highly prized for sculptural and architectural uses since early in our era. For this valuable gift the College is indebted to the generosity of Mrs. Arthur W. Soper, of Rome, N. Y.

It is not often that the journal of our College life contains an entry of this sort. But when the occasion comes, we may well pause, and congratulate ourselves that something has been added to our surroundings which quickens the feeling for the beautiful and gently calls us away from this workaday world.

To the Editor of Life:

It is the intention of the College authorities to plot the two new tennis courts, presented by '04, at right angles to the courts in present use. An East-and-West rectangle, suitable to this intention, has already been cleared and dressed. The plan, if carried out, will produce courts playable on sunny days only between the hours of 11 A. M. and 3 P. M., when the sun, being high in the South, affords a cross-light upon courts in the proposed position. Bearing in mind the mid-day heat, the number of eleven, twelve, and two o'clock recitations, and the meal-hour, with its subsequent inactive period, we see that courts running East and West would benefit a comparatively small percentage of players for an exceedingly small portion of the day, since gray days with the courts dry are too rare for serious consideration. It is plain that the angle of lighting from sunrise to 11 A. M., and from 3 P. M. to sunset—i. e., in the choicest and most convenient tennis hours—must render East-and-West courts utterly useless, a great misfortune to the College, and a corresponding disappointment to the donors.

On the other hand, the present courts are playable very nicely at any hour of the day, for the sun's noon rays from the South approach the vertical so nearly that a player in the Northern court may manage, with slight inconvenience, even without the use of a hat.

The reason is obscure which militates against a North-and-South arrangement of the new courts. Surely no belated compunction protects that small pine at the Southern edge of the rectangle; for this tree is in no way remarkable, nor is it at all necessary, either for the beautifying of the Campus, or for maintaining the completeness of our arboreal collection. One cannot suspect a reserving purpose to crowd the long-awaited Library into that open space behind the shoulder of Science Hall. And as to expense, the construction of the new courts is literally "as broad as it is long."

We may therefore hope that the projected plotting of the '04 courts will be reconsidered, or called to the attention of the donors, before it is too late.

SWASTIKA.

DEATH OF HARRY C. KEITH

The death of Harry C. Keith, '03, occurred Sunday morning in Yorkville after a short illness of less than a week. During his College course he distinguished himself as a scholar, taking as honors the valedictory of his class, the Root Fellowship in Science, the Mathematical Scholarship, the Fayerweather Entrance Prize and a number of others.

After leaving College in 1903 he studied in Gottingen, Germany, taking advanced work in science and mathematics. On returning to America Mr. Keith acted as assistant in chemistry in the Massachusets Institute of Technology, and from there he went to the Bureau of Soils, Department of Agriculture, in Washington, D. C., as a chemist. After staying there for several months he was admitted to the United States Patent Office as assistant examiner, and while there showed exceptional ability in that line. For the past year he was employed as patent lawyer in the patent law force of the United Shoe Machinery Co. in Boston.

A week ago he was seized with a light attack of pleurisy, but was able to reach the home of his aunt in Yorkville last Wednesday. Additional lung trouble and heart affection rapidly developed which culminated in his death.

Prof. White delivered the sermon at the funeral services held Thursday afternoon.

ALLEY RECORD GOES

The Alley record of 230, held jointly by Sarles, '10, and Smith, '08, was finally broken by Nixon, '11, on Wednesday evening. He did not break and came out with 234. He averaged 198 for four consecutive games.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Apr.	25.	U. F. A.,	at Clinton
May	1.	Utica State L.,	at Clinton
May	2.	St. Lawrence U.,	at Clinton
May	5.	Hobart C.,	at Clinton
May	9.	Colgate U.,	at Hamilton
May	15.	Union U.,	at Clinton
May	18.	Syracuse U.,	at Syracuse
May	19.	Hobart C.,	at Geneva
May	20.	Rochester U.,	at Rochester
May	28.	Wesleyan U.,	at Middletown
May	29.	Pratt Inst.,	at Brooklyn
May	30.	Union U.,	atSchenectady
June	3.	Colgate U.,	at Clinton
June	6.	Rochester U.,	at Rochester

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HILL NOTES

—Senior Class picture was taken yesterday.

—The College Well needs a new old oaken bucket.

—New iron net posts have been placed on the tennis courts.

—M. Holley, '67, and S. Butler, '98, were on the Hill recently.

—The K. P. appointments will be announced Wednesday morning.

—Richardson, '11, has dropped out of the race for the Assistant Managership of Baseball.

—The first Tennis match of the season is scheduled with Cornell at Ithaca for April 29th.

—The engagement of M. B. Holmes, '08, to Miss Dora Pomeroy, of Utica, is announced.

—Preparations are now under way for the Freshman Frolic, which will probably be held on June 3rd.

—Neat and attractive score-cards for the Baseball season have been published by Wicks & Greenman.

—The following men have been elected to the "Lit" Board: Truax, '09; Welch, '09; Rudd, '09. Leavenworth, '10, was elected Assitant Manager.

—The Senior Banquet will be held on the evening of May 2nd at Stanwix Hall, Rome. There will be a special car both ways.

—The date of the preliminary game with the Utica State League at Clinton has been changed to May 1st, and the other games with this team have been cancelled.

—Baseball season tickets have been on sale during the past week. Those buying them will save money, as seven games are to be played on the Campus this spring, and the price of the tickets is only $1.25.

—Spring Football practice starts at 3, Monday. The work will be light and an especial effort will be made to develop new material and to give inexperienced men the individual training which they need.

—The Charlatans' cast follows:

"Mrs. Gillibrand,"	Getman, '09
"Barbara,"	McAneny, '10
"Ralph Ormerod,"	McLean, '09
"Joshua Gillibrand,"	A. F. Osborn, '09
"Georgia,"	Rudd, '09
"Daisy Maitland,"	Smyth, '09
"Arthur Hummingtop,"	Welch, '09
"Dobson,"	Willoughby, '09
"Rosa Colombier,"	Woollcott, '09

FOOTBALL COACH

J. Donald Pryor, of Rhode Island, has been engaged to coach the Football team for the season of 1908. Pryor has made a record at Brown University that has seldom been equalled in an institution of that size. As end and Captain of the Football team last year, he piloted the Brown aggregation thru a series of victories that evoked the praise of the Athletic world. Williams, Amherst and the others of that calibre went down before them in overwhelming defeat, while Harvard beat them 6-5 and Yale found an unexpected knot in the vastly outweighed Providence eleven. The striking point of her season was that Brown did not resort to a straight play once. Every play was necessarily a formation play on account of the lightness of the team. These plays will be used here next year, as will the Brown system which has been followed steadily thruout the last six years. Those in College who know, feel convinced that the Brown system is the ideal one for Hamilton. They also feel that Pryor is the ideal man for Hamilton. His ability was recognized by the electors of the All-American eleven, who awarded him third place among the mentions for end.

Pryor, personally, is a man whose value as a coach should be enhanced by popularity. He is a member of Psi Upsilon and of Brown Senior Society. He has not only made a most enviable record as a student, but has captained the successful Brown Basketball Five for the past two seasons, and has been chosen as All-New England guard. He is also a member of the Brown Baseball 'Varsity. He has given a great deal of thought to coaching, and has also had some experience. His ideas concerning Football are remarkably promising especially those on training and the fundaments of the game. Hamilton should congratulate herself on her excellent good fortune in securing his services.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Before passing an opinion on next season's Football schedule found herein, it may be acceptable to learn the plan the manager had in mind in its formation. The season is intended to have the Colgate game as the sole objective, and for this reason it is divided into two stages. The first stage—up to the R. P. I. game—is comparatively severe. The contests in this stage should bring out every fault in the team. These faults being thus ascertained should be remedied during the next three weeks, which contain comparatively mild games. The easy nature of this second stage is also calculated to work the men into the best physical shape for the Colgate contest, and to further this plan the next to the last game is booked for the Campus. That in general is the scheme of the schedule. As to the individual games, there is this to say—four good games will be at home. In the Syracuse game we will have had the advantage of a week's practice over the Salt City team, so slow in getting into condition. Our second game is our opponent's first game. This will be the first time in Football history that we have played Cornell on a Saturday. The halves of both of these games are fixed by contract to be of fifteen and ten minutes.

THE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The following is the Football schedule for 1908:

Sept. 26	Syracuse	at Syracuse
Oct. 3	Cornell	at Ithaca
Oct. 10	Rochester	at Clinton
Oct. 17	Union	at Schenectady
Oct. 24	R. P. I.	at Clinton
Oct. 31	Rutgers	at New Brunswick
Nov. 7	St. Lawrence	at Clinton
Nov. 14	Colgate	at Clinton

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